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Dear Madam:

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In response to the Restriction Requirement dated January 17, 2003 (Paper No. 9), Applicants hereby elect Group 9, drawn to isolated DNA sequences encoding human STMST-1 polypeptides, host cells, kits comprising said sequences, and methods of expressing said sequences (claims 1-7, 12, 18, and 51-54). This election is made without prejudice to Applicant's right to pursue the non-elected subject matter in other applications in the event a generic claim is not found allowable.

This paper is being filed timely as a request for a one month extension of time is filed concurrently herewith. No additional extensions of time are required. In the event any additional

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extensions of time are necessary, the undersigned hereby authorizes the requisite fees to be charged to Deposit Account No. 501668.

Entry of the remarks made herein is respectfully requested.

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